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during the week, none. Prevailing diseases, none. General sanitary condition of this port and the surrounding country during the week, good.

Bill of health was issued to the following steamship: May 20, steamship *Managua*; number of crew, 16; number of passengers from this port, none; passengers in transit, none; pieces of baggage disinfected, none.

Respectfully,

A. J. SMITH,

*Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.*

The SURGEON-GENERAL,

*U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.*

*Reports from Puerto Barrios.*

PUERTO BARRIOS, GUATEMALA, May 12, 1902.

SIR: The following steamships have cleared from this port for the week ended May 10: May 6, steamship *Breakwater*, with passengers, for New Orleans; steamship *Managua*, with cargo of coffee and fruit, for Mobile.

D. P. ALBERS,

*Resident Medical Inspector for the*

*Louisiana State Board of Health, Puerto Barrios.*

The SURGEON-GENERAL,

*U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.*

PUERTO BARRIOS, GUATEMALA, May 19, 1902.

SIR: The following steamships have cleared from this port for week ended May 17: May 13, British steamship *Anselm*, with passengers, for New Orleans; Norwegian steamship *George Dumois*, with cargo of fruit and coffee, for New Orleans. May 15, British steamship *Cuban*, with cargo of mahogany, for New Orleans.

Respectfully,

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HAWAII.

*Confirming telegraphic reports of plague in Honolulu.*

HONOLULU, H. I., May 14, 1902.

SIR: Referring to my telegram of May 14, relative to 5 new deaths from plague having occurred here, 2 on May 8, 2 on May 11, and 1 on May 13, I have the honor to report as follows: The cases occurred in 5 Hawaiians who had been residing at Peck's stable yard, and who, in the opinion of the board of health, received their infection at this latter place. No dead rats have been found in this locality and the source of the infection is not known, this despite the board's efforts to trace the origin of the outbreak. All of the houses in this neighborhood have received a most thorough disinfection, the portable sulphur furnace lent by you being used for the purpose. The ground has been cleansed, sprayed by a strong solution of corrosive sublimate, and the flumes treated with large quantities of sulphuric acid. The inmates of all the houses in the neighborhood have been placed in Kalihi camp in quarantine. I will give further details concerning these cases when I receive the data. I have resumed the out-going quarantine work with

no changes from the old plan, although I have written to all of the Pacific coast quarantine officers again, giving the details of our work for their convenience. The board of health is most energetic and thorough in their work of handling the situation, and therefore I do not regard the outlook as a serious one.

Respectfully,

L. E. COFER,  
*Passed Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.,  
Chief Quarantine Officer, Hawaii.*

The SURGEON-GENERAL,  
*U. S. Marine Hospital Service.*

#### HONDURAS.

##### *Weekly report of conditions and transactions at La Ceiba—Fruit port.*

LA CEIBA, HONDURAS, May 17, 1902.

SIR: I have the honor to make the following report of the conditions and transactions at this port during the week ended May 17, 1902:

Population according to census—no official census. Present officially estimated population, about 4,000. Number of cases and deaths from yellow fever during the week, none; number of cases and deaths from smallpox during the week, none; number of cases and deaths from typhus fever during the week, none; number of cases and deaths from cholera during the week, none; number of cases and deaths from plague during the week, none; number of deaths from other causes during the week, 1. Prevailing disease, malaria. General sanitary condition of this port and the surrounding country during the week, good.

Bills of health were issued to the following vessels: May 11, steamship *David*, number of crew, 23; number of passengers from this port, none; number of passengers in transit, none; pieces of baggage disinfected, none. May 15, steamship *Polonia*, number of crew, 6; number of passengers from this port, none; number of passengers in transit, none; pieces of baggage disinfected, none; steamship *Usk*, number of crew, 20; number of passengers from this port, none; number of passengers in transit, none; pieces of baggage disinfected, none; steamship *Condor*, number of crew, 16; number of passengers from this port, none; number of passengers in transit, none; pieces of baggage disinfected, none.

Respectfully,

W. B. ROBERTSON,  
*Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.*

The SURGEON-GENERAL,  
*U. S. Marine Hospital Service.*

#### ITALY.

##### *Report from Naples—Inspection at Palermo.*

NAPLES, ITALY, May 12, 1902.

SIR: I have the honor to report that for the week ended May 10, 1902, the following ships were inspected at Naples:

May 5, the steamship *Scotia*, of the Hamburg-American Line, bound with passengers and cargo for New York. There were inspected and passed 491 steerage passengers and 90 pieces of large baggage; 850 pieces of baggage were disinfected by steam.

May 6, the steamship *Roma*, of the Fabre Line, bound with passengers and cargo for New York. There were inspected and passed 1,298 steer-